

# HQ Air Force Personnel Center



# Air Force Civilian Developmental Education (CDE)

HQ AFPC/DPKD 15 APR 05

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#### Goals

- Meet long-term leadership needs of the Air Force
- Prepare high potential employees for increased responsibility and shared leadership with military
- Select right person at the right time and put that learning to work in appropriate followon assignments.

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# Programs

- Intermediate Developmental Education (IDE)
  - Air Command & Staff College
  - Air Force Legislative Fellows Program
  - DoD Executive Leadership Development Program (ELDP)
  - Princeton University
  - Harvard University
  - Air Force Institute of Technology
  - Sandia Nuclear Fellowship Program





- Programs Continued
  - Senior Developmental Education (SDE)
    - Air War College
    - National War College
    - Industrial College of the Armed Forces
    - Industrial College of the Armed Force –Senior Acquisition Course
    - RAND Fellows
    - Excellence in Government Fellows Program
    - E-Government Fellows Program





- Senior Developmental Education (SDE) Cont
  - Alfred P. Sloan Fellows, MIT
  - Stanford Sloan Program
  - Princeton University
  - Harvard University
  - Air Force Institute of Technology
  - Sandia Nuclear Fellowship Program

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### Responsibilities

- AF/DPD
  - Provide policy for CDE
- Functional Community
  - Each functional Development Team (DT) will review nominations to validate choice of schools and recommend follow-on out-placement assignment

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- Manage nomination and selections for CDE
- Process the assignment of students to schools/programs
- Assist in follow-on placements

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- Responsibilities Continued
  - MAJCOM/CVS and SAF/AF two-letters
    - Endorse employees for competition
  - Commanders and Managers
    - Encourage employee participation
    - Endorse highest potential
    - Identify proposed post-utilization at time of nomination
  - Employees
    - Complete nomination package and verify accuracy of personnel records
    - Agree to attend training other than preference
    - Agree to accept follow-on assignment





- Eligibility
  - GS-12 and above
    - Permanent grade
  - Performance rated as acceptable
  - Meet specific program eligibility criteria
  - Attendance at non-PME long-term academic training limited to once in career





- AF CDE Selection Board Composition
  - Board President (DV-4)
  - 9 SES Members
    - Three Quadrants
      - Intermediate Service School
      - Senior Service School
      - Academic & Experiential Programs



#### Nomination Process

- Documents
  - Application (AF Form 4059)
    - SES or General Office signature and addresses:
      - Management & Leadership potential
      - Return on investment to the Air Force
      - Follow-on assignment
  - Resume
  - 2nd level endorsements
    - Rank applications by programs/courses in priority order



#### Selection Process

- Civilian Leadership Framework
- Selection Criteria
  - Performance, professional qualities, leadership, job responsibility, depth and breadth of experience
  - Specific achievements
  - Professional military and academic education
  - Post utilization (follow-on assignments)
  - Appropriateness of training at this stage of candidates career



#### Timelines

- Apr 05 AF/DP announces call for CDE nominations
  - Nomination procedures for CDE available at http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/cp/ccdp/default.htm
- 01 Jun 05 Nominations due to AFPC/DPKD
- Jun/Aug 05 Functional DTs meet to vector program and outplacement
- 27-29 Sep 05 CDE Selection Board meets
- Oct 05 AF/DP reviews CDE results and announces selections
  - Civilian PME selections released with military PME selections



#### Follow-On Assignment Process

- Mentoring is the key
  - Nominating official provides specific recommendation
- Functional Community
  - Functional DT reviews and validates recommended follow-on
  - Senior level POC from functional community
    - Steers process based on DT recommendation
- Goal
  - AFPC assist in identifying vacancies
  - Finalize not later than six months prior to program completion
- Temporary Change of Station vice TDY benefits may be available when appropriate and based on followon assignment.



# Rules of Engagement

- Servicing training office reviews applications:
  - For legal, regulatory, suitability and eligibility criteria
  - Signs nomination checklist
- Candidates may indicate program/course preference but:
  - Must be willing to attend others within program area
  - May be endorsed in different priority order
  - May be selected for same or different program/course





- Rules of Engagement Continued
  - Candidates may be selected for programs outside preference/endorsement
    - Will contact 2<sup>nd</sup> level endorser if outside program area for which endorsed
    - Will contact 2<sup>nd</sup> level endorser if program is longer period of time for which endorsed
  - Most schools/programs have separate application and acceptance requirements
    - Selection is not final until candidate receives notification from school





#### For more information on CDE:

http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/cp/CCDP/default.htm

Note: The URL link reflects the former name (CCDP) and will be updated in the Oct/Nov 05 timeframe replacing "CCDP" with "CDE".